

The son of Lloyd J. and Elsie Pezold Wineland, Secretary of State Fred L. Wineland was born in Washington, D.C. on August 16, 1926. Educated in the public schools of the district, American University, and graduated from South Eastern University, the Secretary joined Wineland Enterprises — a chain of motion picture theaters and closed-circuit television operations established by his father in 1929 — upon discharge from the U. S. Navy after World War II. Today, Mr. Wineland serves as the corporation's Vice President and Treasurer.

Upon moving into Prince George's County in 1957, Mr. Wineland immediately became involved in civic and political activities. He has been an active participant in the affairs of, among others, the Veterans of Foreign Wars; the American Legion; the Lions Club; Fort Washington Methodist Church; Southern Methodist Board of Trade; Prince George's Chamber of Commerce; and the Fort Washington Democratic Club. He was Chairman of the County's 1962 Democratic primary election campaign, the 1964 general election campaign; and was elected as an alternate delegate to the 1972 National Democratic Convention, and was chosen as a regular delegate to the 1976 National Convention in New York City.

While serving in the House of Delegates on such important committees as the Banking, Insurance, and Social Security Committee, he was appointed to the Senate in 1965. Mr. Wineland was elected to his first full term in the upper chamber in 1966, and reelected in 1970. Mr. Wineland brought to the Senate a proven knowledge of business and economics, and served on both the Economic Affairs and Finance Committees. He was also Chairman of the Executive Nominations Committee, to help ensure that the most talented and capable men and women were named to positions which have helped move Maryland forward.

In selecting a Secretary of State, Governor Mandel sought an individual with a proven record of governmental experience. Fred L. Wineland fitted that concept, and has been serving since February 12, 1971.